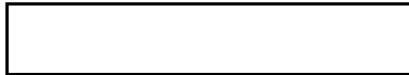


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MEMORANDUM FOR:



FROM: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Cuba

1. Please withdraw your paper to Robert Pastor on impact of delay of normalization with relations to Cuba. The first sentence of this memo in particular exceeds both what I consider to be my responsibility as an intelligence officer and your responsibility with regard to passing judgments of this sort to the NSC directly.

2. Please recouch the first sentence to say that we do not believe that a delay in normalizing our relations would create significant reactions in the countries around the world with whom we have relations (or something such). In short, what I would like to do is make it clear that we are not assessing the overall impact on United States policy of any such delay, but rather we are estimating what foreign reactions to it will be and then what the economic reactions or impact will be. It is quite possible there is a moral or political objective of the United States which will be hampered by a delay (I don't necessarily take that position myself), but I don't believe it is our place to imply a position in that area.

STANSFIELD TURNER  
Admiral, U.S. Navy

cc D/DCI/NI